

Women's Activities . . .

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TORRANCE HERALD

PTA Mothersingers Join State Convention Chorus

Another rehearsal of state PTA convention music was held Monday morning by members of the Mothersingers of Orange Street PTA at the home of Mrs. W. W. McCann. A pot luck luncheon followed at noon. Hostesses for the luncheon hour were Mesdames J. R. Jones, H. W. Wilkins, W. W. McCann and Herman Palm.

DELPHIANS TO ELECT OFFICERS

Mrs. C. Maxwell Rohring will open her new Cheviot Hills home on Friday, April 29, for the annual election luncheon meeting of Sigma Rho Chapter of Delphian Society. Reservations are being accepted by President Mrs. E. Taylor Whitney, 968 W. Topic for discussion at the study club meeting, Friday morning in Torrance library lecture room, was "Rationalism Rampant." Its objective, to trace the development of the world-view that the answer to man's questions about his relation to the universe and to his fellow creatures is to be found through reason, and to note some effects of this philosophy. Discussions were presented as follows, Mrs. F. A. Lincoln, "Prelude to the Scientific Mind," Mrs. C. E. Ward, "The Age of Reason," Mrs. Von M. Bergen, "Religious Developments of Rationalism," "Rationalism and Skepticism" was Mrs. C. M. Rohring's topic and Mrs. Paul F. Vonderahe's was, "Rationalism or Skepticism for a Better World?"

Mrs. Dean L. Sears served as seminar chairman and in the absence of the president, Mrs. Lee A. McCoy presided.

Arts, Crafts Club Adopts Constitution

Members of the Torrance Arts and Crafts Club were delightfully entertained Friday evening at the home of their president, Mrs. Frances Snodgrass, 1614 Beech avenue.

With the marked increase in membership, the group has found it necessary to draw up a constitution and by-laws, which was included on the agenda of Friday's business meeting.

Award of an honorary membership to Mrs. Addie Parks' sister, Mrs. Mae Burdick, who is critically ill at the Parks home, also was a highlight of the session.

Later several of the women devoted their time to fashioning lamp shades, and others continued with leather and copper work.

Easter decorations were used for the attractive buffet table and refreshments following the same motif were served.

Present were Hazel Ward, Lila Eberly, Ethel Derouin, Lillian Sleep, Eva Thomas, Mary McDonald, Bettina Miller, Florence Childs, Cora B. Bohrer, Emily Middleton and Frances Snodgrass.

Pioneer Is Honored on 75th Birthday

The 75th birthday of J. H. Splittstoesser of 1829 W. 247th street, one of Lomita's old-timers, was celebrated at two events this past week.

On Thursday an enchilada luncheon was served at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rolfe on 247th street.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alvarez and daughter, Dorothy, Mrs. I. Keys and son, Ivan, Jr., Mrs. Hubert Lindeman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keys and daughter, Susan, the honoree and his wife; the hosts and their two sons, Harold and Gerry of Lomita; and Mrs. William Splittstoesser of Van Nuys.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beaver of Pasadena arrived at the Rolfe home with a decorated birthday cake bearing 75 candles. A potluck dinner party followed with Mr. Splittstoesser cutting the first piece of the cake.

On this occasion places were marked for Mr. and Mrs. Beaver of Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beaver, Jr. of Burbank; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Collier of Flintridge; Mrs. William Splittstoesser of Van Nuys; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keys and daughter, Susan; Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe, sons, Harold and Garry and Mrs. Hubert Lindeman of Lomita.

Egg Hunt at Bader Home Saturday

Following the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Lomita Park Saturday morning Mrs. Joseph Bader of 26022 Eshelman avenue was hostess to several youngsters and two of their mothers at her home.

Many gaily decorated Easter eggs had been hidden in the Bader yard and the youngsters entered into the fun of hunting them to fill their baskets.

Mrs. Bader served ice cream and cookies to Mrs. Glenn Holloway and daughter, Linda; Mrs. Jerry Mobley and daughter, Brenda; and Fatty and Jackie Award. Mrs. Bader was assisted in entertaining by her daughter, Kathleen.

School Nurse To Speak at PTA Meeting

Miss Vera Fisher, school nurse, will be the principal speaker at the regular Orange Street PTA meeting at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the school auditorium.

The musical portion of the program will include selections by the upper grade chorus of the school and soprano solos by Mrs. Harry Kaempfer, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. W. W. McCann.

Plans will be completed during the meeting for the association's part in the annual school May Day Festival set for Friday, April 29, when they will sell hot dogs, pop, and ice cream.

Rummage Sale Is Scheduled

Women of Woman's Society Christian Service, Methodist Church, will hold a rummage sale at the church annex on May 20 and 21, opening at 10:00 a.m. each day.

BROWNIE TROOP FETED WITH EASTER PARTY

A lovely Easter party for members of Brownie Troop No. 1096 was held Friday at the home of Mrs. Charles Renck, 26233 Alta Vista avenue.

The girls had completed their Easter baskets made of plywood and finished with plastic lacing just in time for the Easter Egg hunt. Mrs. Grace Thorpe and Mrs. J. D. Richards directed games and the hostess, Mrs. Renck, served the girls with delicious refreshments.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Moses advanced a nation to the worship of God in Spirit instead of matter, and illustrated the grand human capacities of being bestowed by immortal Mind.

—Mary Baker Eddy.



MR. AND MRS. JACK SMITH —Bob Roberts photo

JUANITA RITCHIE TELLS VOWS WITH JACK SMITH

In a simple ceremony performed in the parsonage of First Christian Church, Jack Smith, son of Mrs. John T. Smith, took as his bride Miss Juanita Murdoch Ritchie, daughter of Mrs. Mollie Ritchie, of 2208-B Cabrillo avenue, and A. J. Ritchie, of British Columbia Rev. Cecil England, pastor, officiated at the double-ring ceremony, performed in the presence of relatives and intimate friends of the principals.

The former Miss Ritchie chose as her wedding attire a dressmaker suit of gray trimmed in navy with which she wore sassy accessories and an orchid corsage.

Miss Martha Ossea, the bride's

only attendant, wore a navy and gray ensemble with gardenias. Gerald Mosher attended the bridegroom as best man.

At the reception which immediately followed in the home of the bride's mother, a three-tiered wedding cake and other refreshments were served from a table lovely with pink and white sweet peas and matching candles. Mrs. John A. McVicar poured.

The bride is a secretary employed with Irving M. Lessiu, Torrance attorney, and her husband is an employee of the Torrance Unified School District.

Temporarily the happy couple will make their home at 3617 Garnet street.

Kenny Treatment Told Business Women's Club

Guest speakers for the regular dinner meeting of the National Business and Professional Women of Torrance, held Monday evening at Meltons-by-the-Sea, were Miss Shirley Askland, R. N., graduate of the Sister Kenny Institute, and William Plummer, its harbor area district director. The guests were presented by Sabina Abramson, co-hostess for the evening with Aylene Moore.

The program was augmented by sound motion picture, titled, "So They May Walk," depicting the procedure of the Sister Elizabeth Kenny training; "The Value of a Life," showing cases before and after treatment and a "short" of Sister Kenny being interviewed at Harbor General Hospital.

Following the salute to the flag led by Mrs. Moore, President Mrs. Emma Roberts, seated at the beautifully appointed speakers' table, introduced the guests and opened the meeting.

Club members planning to attend the Los Angeles District convention at the Alexandria Hotel, Los Angeles, Sunday, include Emma Roberts, Harriet Spencer, Zada Ramsey, Jean Davis, Verna Porter, Mary Ulmer, and Helen Williams.

At the next meeting, scheduled for May 2, the nominating committee, headed by Frances Clark, will present its selection of 1949-50 officers, to be voted upon by the membership. Installation of the new group will be held on May 16.

Wayside Chapel Women to Sponsor Spring Musical

A spring musicale, sponsored by members of the Women's Society of Wayside Chapel, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Wise, 2223 W. 255th st., Lomita, next Tuesday afternoon promises to be one of the highlights of the year's activities.

Assisting Mrs. Wise with arrangements for the cultural program will be Mrs. C. Lee Reed and Mrs. Percy Goodell.

Considering the interest being shown in this type of monthly tea, and the seating capacity of the Wise home it was deemed advisable by the committee to arrange for two separate and distinct musical programs, one at 2 o'clock and the second at 3 o'clock. Those planning to attend may decide which time will be more convenient for them. The committee is anxious to have room for everyone through the arrangement of the program.

The silver offering received will be used by the Women's Society for the parsonage fund. Mesdames Richard Baumann, Blair Holland, Joy Loy, and Wayne Hannah will preside at the urns and the floral arrangement for the tea table will be made by Mrs. Bernice Snow.

For those who plan to attend the first program the following artists have consented to appear: Mrs. Joy McCoy of Redondo Beach will play piano selections; Miss Lois MacPhail of Monte Vista avenue, noted cellist, will play instrumental se-

lections accompanied at the piano by her mother; Mrs. Alex MacPhail, Soloist for this portion of the program will be Mrs. Cora Coates of San Pedro.

A group of students from Narbonne High School will be presented during the second program beginning at 3 o'clock with Eldridge Walker accompanying at the piano.

Eldridge, who recently won the gold award at the Philharmonic and Artists Association contest at San Pedro, will play the first number on the program, "Prelude in C Sharp Minor" by Rachmannoff. A flute trio will follow with Wendy Godsil, Sally Halling and Jessie Hill playing instrumental numbers. Elizabeth Reed of Lomita and her music teacher, Mrs. Louise Lawrence of San Pedro, will present vocal solos. Completing the musical will be a mixed quartet singing "Calm As The Night" by Edith Lehman. In the group will be Elizabeth Reed, Rachel McDonald, Jim Loughrey, and Philip Butterfield.

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